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As usual the Hatch justice system and the DOJ allegations are misguided and inappropriate. Would you also defile the sanctity of all Intellectual property as monopolistic and predatory? How in a world with freedom to innovate can you be so blatantly non-objective? Would you also expose the formula for Coca-Cola and Colonel Sanders 11 Secret Herbs and Spices? If so what freedom to innovate would I as an Internet software developer have to protect my interests? Because I find a market and take advantage of it am I predatory? Is the effervescent struggle between Coca-Cola and Pepsi the next target for your insane jealousies and obvious favoritism for Sen. Orin Hatch?s and Time Warner?s Quest for more dollars and favoritism because their product is without Office applications and without a viable desktop graphical operating system? Coca-Cola and Pepsi came out of their rift better companies because of a system we treasure here in this United States "free enterprise". Would you make Ford put in Chevy engines because Ford in using it's own engines is predatory and unfair. Is any thing called a "free enterprise system" fair? No it is predatory and unfair. That is the basis of capitalism. If the shoe were on the other foot for Hatch he would be gloating and all puffed up like the banty rooster he resembles

Concerning Microsoft and Netscape, Ford and Chevy had the same problems as did Coke and Pepsi, Where Coke had a 90% market Pepsi had none in comparison, they remarketed and repackaged their products and bought some other popular come latelys Mountain Dew and so forth to enhance their market base to compete, then Coke had to do the same thing. Ford and Chevy continually made different styles of automobiles to appeal to different strata of the market. You must be blind to the times when competition was paramount and the devising of new strategies be came what stuff men and women were made of, competition proved the playing field and then leveled it, due to those fresh ideas and innovations of those individuals. (Harley in the Chevy design of the 50?s that gave Ford it?s impetus to innovate, in example)

You people need a reality check.

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